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ESTABLISHING CITY POLICIES AND PRIORITIES FOR THE USE OF THE GRANTS IN AID FUND.

WHEREAS, Section 9-205, Revised Charter of Honolulu ("Charter"), established a Grants in Aid Fund to be used by the City and County of Honolulu ("City") to award grants in aid to federal income tax exempt non-profit organizations that provide services to economically and/or socially disadvantaged populations or provide services for public benefit in the areas of the arts, culture, economic development or the environment; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-52.4, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("ROH"), established a Grants in Aid Advisory Commission ("Commission") to review applications for Grants in Aid Fund monies and advise the City on projects to be funded with grants in aid funds; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-52.4, ROH, requires that recommendations made by the Commission regarding recommended expenditures from the fund be consistent with the priorities established by the Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, City Council policy governing use of the Grants in Aid Fund was initially established by the adoption of Resolution 13-24, CD1; and

WHEREAS, in that policy, the Council established various priority categories, including Public Service, Arts, Culture, Community/Economic Development, and the Environment; and

WHEREAS, the results of two grant funding cycles have provided the Commission and the Council insight into the limitations of the current policy; and

WHEREAS, through Departmental Communication 500 (2014), the Commission has requested Council guidance on various policies, including maximum grant award amounts and minimum funding amounts for priority categories; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to amend its policy relating to the use of the Grants in Aid Fund; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Council hereby adopts the following priorities to guide the award of monies from the Grants in Aid Fund:

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PUBLIC SERVICES

Funds in this category must be used to support qualified public services and programs for the target populations deemed by the City to be most vulnerable including, but not limited to, seniors, persons with disabilities, children, victims of domestic violence, homeless persons, and those suffering from the effects of substance abuse or poor mental health.

ARTS, CULTURE, COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Funds in this category must be used to support the sustainable improvement in the well-being and quality of life of local communities, especially low- to moderate-income areas. Projects could include, but are not limited to, the creation, development and empowerment of community based organizations, providing planning, organizational support, and technical assistance to organizations, supporting financial literacy programs and services, supporting micro-enterprise and business training, and supporting programs that promote cultural or environmental enhancement, protection, or awareness.

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no organization be awarded more than one grant with a maximum award of \$125,000 per fiscal year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each Council district be awarded no less than \$250,000 annually to organizations that provide services specific and exclusive to the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no less than 25 percent of the total available funding be awarded annually for Arts or Culture category grant activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the highest consideration be given to applicants that do not receive other funding or any form of assistance from the City and County of Honolulu. While applicants that receive other funding or assistance from the City may apply for grants in aid funding, the extent of funding or assistance already received in relation to services provided must be considered prior to awarding grants in aid funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, notwithstanding any of the foregoing policies, all efforts shall be made to expend all funds available in each fiscal year; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, on July 1, 2015 and thereafter, this Resolution supersedes in its entirety Resolution 13-24, CD1; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, Managing Director, Director of Community Services, and the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services.

| | INTRODUCED BY: |
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| November 19, 2014 | Councilmembers |

CITY COUNCIL CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 14-280, CD1

Introduced: 11/19/14

By: ERNEST MARTIN

Committee: BUDGET

Title:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CITY POLICIES AND PRIORITIES FOR THE USE OF THE GRANTS IN

AID FUND.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

| | | NOTE: COUNCILMEMBER OZAWA TOOK OFFICE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 2015. |
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| 01/14/15 | BUDGET | RESOLUTION AMENDED TO CD1 AND DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE. |
| 01/20/15 | BUDGET | CR-30(15) – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN CD1 FORM (OCS/011515/03:35/YL). |
| 01/28/15 | COUNCIL | CR-30(15) AND RESOLUTION 14-280, CD1 WERE ADOPTED. |
| | | 8 AYES: ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MARTIN, MENOR, OZAWA, PINE. 1 ABSENT: ANDERSON. |

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION

GLEN TAKANASHI, ACTING CITY CLERK

ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER